Persons died/injured in terrorist attacks

999. SHRI MATILAL SARKAR: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the number of terrorist attacks in different States and Union Territories during 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 upto 30th September, 2008;

(b) the number of casualties and the number sustaining injuries;

(c) how many terrorists have been arrested in connection with these incidents; and

(d) how Government proposes to combat the terrorist attacks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) and (b) Apart from violence in the areas affected by militancy, insurgency and extremist activities, *viz.*, Jammu and Kashmir, some of the North Eastern States and some State affected by naxalite activities, terrorist acts by way of bomb blasts etc., have occurred periodically in some parts of hinterland in the country. A statement showing major incidents of bomb blasts, as per available information which occurred in 2006-07, 2007-08 and 2008-09 till 30th September, 2008, are indicated in Statement. (*See* below)

(c) 'Law and Order' and 'Public Order' being a State subject, the incident-wise details of investigation, prosecution, arrests, including identity of the arrested persons and those absconding, conviction, etc., are not centrally complied or maintained.

(d) The Government has been pursing a multi-pronged strategy to deal with terrorism and a variety of measures have been taken to strengthen the security arrangements in this context. These, *inter-alia*, include assistance to the State Governments under the Scheme for Modernisation of State Police Forces (MPF) for strengthening police related infrastructure, equipments, weaponry, mobility, training and strengthening of the State Intelligence machinery; assistance for raising India Reserve Battalions (60 additional Battalions have been approved since 2005 with provision for raising 2 Coys as Commando Units); reimbursement of various types of security expenditure incurred by the State Governments under the Security Related Expenditure (SRE) Scheme; deployment of Central Para-Military Forces to aid and assist the State Police to deal with specific situations; sharing of intelligence and operational coordination with the State Governments in this regard, etc. In addition, several measures have been taken at the Central level. These, *inter-alia*, include; there has been substantial expansion of the Central Para-Military Forces (CPMFs) in the recent years, including a decision to raise 10 Specialised Command Battalions in the CRPF, along with action for modernization of the CPMFs; action has been taken for substantial augmentation of the intelligence machinery by sanction of additional posts and strengthening of institutional mechanisms for sharing of intelligence and operational coordination with the States; measures have been taken by way of construction roads and fencing, with flood lighting, on the Indo-Pakistan and Into Bangladesh borders, together with

provision of modern surveillance equipment; a scheme for coastal security has been launched under which assistance is being provided to the States for setting up Police Stations and for land and sea patrolling; and, steps are underway for expanding the infrastructure for general and specialized training for the State police personnel. The security arrangements to deal with various internal security challenges, Including terrorism, are being continuously reviewed with a view to taking action for further strengthening and streamlining, etc., as found necessary from time to time.

Statement

Major incidents of bomb blasts in the hinterland during the years 2006-07, 2007-08 *and* 2008-09 *(upto* 30.9.2008*)*

Sl. No.	Date	Incident	No. of persons killed	No. of Persons injured
1	2	3	4	5
	2006-07			
1.	14.04.2006	At about 5.25 P.M. a bomb exploded within premises of Jama Masjid in Delhi immediately thereafter another bomb exploded in the vicinity.	0	15
2.	11.07.2006	Seven serial bombs exploded in local trains in Mumbai.	187	844
3.	08.09.2006	Two bombs exploded at Malegaon	31	295
4.	18.02.2007	Explosion. in two unreserved coaches of Samjhauta/Attari Express at Diwana near Panipat.	68	12
	2007-08			
1.	18.05.2007	Bomb explosion at Mecca Masijid in Hydarabad	09	58
2.	25.08.2007	Bomb blasts at Lumbini Park and Gokul Chat Bhandar in Hyderabad	42	70
3.	11.10.2007	Bomb blast at Ajmer Sharif, Ajmer, Rajasthan	03	14
4.	14.10.2007	Bomb blast at Shrinagar Cinema Hall in Ludhiana.	06	37
5.	23.11.2007	5 bomb blasts in local court premises in three cities in U.P., namely, Varanasi Faizabad and Lucknow	15	91

1	2	3	4	5
6.	1.1.2008	Attack on CRPF Group Centre, Rampur (UP)	8	5
	2008-09 (upto 30.9.2008)			
1.	13.5.2008	Serial bomb blasts in Jaipur	69	184
2.	25.7.2008	Series of 8 bomb blasts in Bangalore	1	11
3.	26.7.2008	Serial bomb blasts in Ahmedabad	56	242
4.	13.9.2008	Serial bomb blasts in Delhi	26	133
5.	27.9.2008	Law intensity bomb blasts in Mehrauli, New Delhi	3	22
6.	29.9.2008	Bomb blasts at Malegaon, Maharashtra	4	80
7.	29.9.2008	Bomb blasts in Modasa, Gujarat	1	10

Common police engaged for VIP security

†1000. SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether common police force personnel are deputed for protection of VIP's thereby having it's impact on common policing;

(b) if so, the impact it has on the common police duties, whether our police force is adequate to check rising crimes in society;

(c) in view of large-scale of high tech crime in the society, whether our police personnel are earnestly trained to face this challenge; and

(d) the steps being taken by Government to prevent rising crimes in the society?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SHRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) No Sir. There is a separate unit for Police force for providing security cover to VVIP/VIP. Moreover, a sizable quantum of CPMFs are also deployed for armed guard duties with a number of Protected Persons.

(b) Police force is strengthened as and when need arises to check rising crimes in Society.

(c) The efforts are on to train the police personnel to combat high tech crime and number to training programmes have been designed in this regard.

(d) Community Policing, innovative way of intelligence gathering, regular surveillance on activities of criminals special patrolling are some of the steps being taken by the State Governments to prevent rising crimes in the Society.

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi.